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SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24.-It is generally contended in Louisiana that the policy of reciprocity with Cuba would work disaster to the sugar interests of that State. In a recent address by Hugh Kelly, of New York, before the Cuban Economic Commission, Kelly pointed out what he believed would be the benefits that would accrue to the United States, if the duty on raw sugar imported into this country from Cubz was abolished. The speech was circulated in pamphlet form, and when it fell into the hands of the people of New Orleans, Kelly's statements were attacked by a number of speakers. At a meeting held in that city a few days ago, the pith of these attacks was voiced by Charles A. Farwell, President of the Cane Growers' Association, who said:

"In a pamphlet extracts from an address of Hugh Kelly, at a complimentary dinner to the Cuban Economic Commission, at the University Club, New York, Nov. 20, are being distributed, the purpose of which is to show the benefits which this country will derive from the proposed reciprocity treaty with Cuba, and more particularly in the matter of an abolition of the duties on raw sugars, imported into the United States.

"Mr. Kelly figures out a grand total of \$133,504,600 to be invested in this business in Cuba within five years from the consummation of the treaty, and argues that it all will come from our people, to their advancement and betterment.

"There is no need to question these figures, and for the purpose of argument we assume them to be correct-We must, however, eliminate certain portions as not having a direct bearing on the case, such as:

Purchase of land.....\$10,000,000 Purchase of cane...... 27,200,000 Working capital ...... 10,000,000

Total .....\$47,200,000 "This capital may, or may not be furnished by America, and even if so might, or might not, prove a remunerative investment.

"The balance of the outlay, \$86,304,-600, if all the articles were purchased in this country, may be allowed to stand as a positive direct benefit to our country. We must also remember that Cuba has increased her sugar crop from 300,000 tons annually, years ago, to an estimated yield for the present season of not less than 1,000,000 tons. It is therefore fair to assume, that even without the proposed treaty this great increase would be largely maintained. If that be so, then a considerable percentage could be reasonably deducted from the above mentioned \$86,304,600 of possible benefit to this country to ac-

'Without referring to the beet suga industry or that of the fruit and vegetable growers, we find in Louisiana alone an invested capital in the production of cane sugar of not less than \$90 .-000,000, and a further annual outlay of about \$20,000,000 in the production of

"With a certainty of lower figures for the raw article, it becomes a patent fact that sugar property will be disastrously affected, even to the point of bankruptcy; in which case the \$90,000,-000 of invested capital will shrink to infinitesmal proportions, and the thousands of laborers engaged in that industry will be thrown out of employment, at any rate for the time being." Several other sugar planters advanced similar arguments against the threatened legislation.

Hugh Kelly, when shown the statements of Farwell, said:

"Taking the figures for the past ten years as prepared by A. Bauchereau, the State Statistician of Louisiana, in relation to the sugar trade of that State, the sugar crop amounted to 2,168,796 tons, or an average of 216,880

"In 1861 and 1862, about forty years ago, Louisiana produced, according to the same authority, 235,856 tons, and with the crudest kind of machinery at that. Here are about 19,000 tons great-er production of sugar in Louisiana two score years ago than they have been averaging in late years under protection. Lot me ask, thee, what has protection done for Louisiana? The crop of 1861 compared with the average crop at the present time would show an area of at least 50 per cent larger, on account of the development of modern machinery.

"Charles A. Farwell, president of the Cane Growers' Association, admits the correctness of my figures. According to his figures, there is invested in Louislana alone in cane sugar, a capital of not less than \$90,000,000. It seems but fair then to say that the average crop of sugar in Louisiana in the past ten years, according to Mr. Bauchereau's figures during the period of greatest protection has been 216,885

"It may be pertinent to remark here that in 1853 Louisiana made 224,188 tons of sugar, and in 1861, 235,858 tons. Might it not be reasonable to ask him to explain these conditions to the public. How great a benefit has been the tariff to the Louisiana people in view of the figures here given? Mr. Farwell says that Louisiana distributed \$20,-000,000 per year to produce an average crop of 216,880 tons. This means 4.4 cents per pound, as cost of production

PROTECTION AT HOME. "If this is correct it will be in order

for the sugar planters of that State to ask for protection, not alone against Cuba, but against the agents of the beet sugar people of the United States, a number of whom have placed themselves on record with 3 cents per pound as cost of production."

A Cuban planter said today: "If the State of Louisiana and the beet sugar States were alive to the great issue they would meet the question half way, and do it at once, rather than take the chances of the United States annexing Cuba in the near future."

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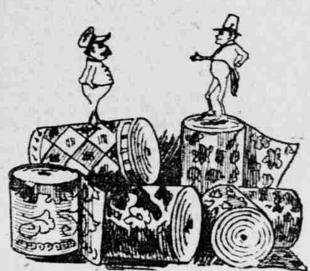
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